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SSFA SPONSOR OCTOBER REVOLUTION CELEBRATIONS,
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CITIES CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY -- Wen-hui Pao, 8 Nov 49

On 6 November 1949, the Sino-Soviet Friendship Associations in Pei-p'ing, Shang-hai, and T'ien-ching simultaneously celebrated the October Revolution of the Soviet Union.

The celebration in Pei-p'ing was attended by more than 1,200 members including deputy chairmen of the Pei-p'ing SSFA, Wang Chih-hsiang, Hsu Te-hang, Liu Jen, and Hsiao Ming; and Salekin, Acting USSR Consul-General in Pei-p'ing.

Hsu Heng-chih, in charge of the Pei-p'ing celebration, said: "The Soviet Union advocates world peace which is the only road for the peace-loving peoples of the world. We must pursue that road."

In Shang-hai, more than 800 persons representing various classes attended the October Revolution celebration which was sponsored by the preparatory committee of the Shang-hai SSFA, and held in the Kuan-hsin Theater. Among those attending were Chipunovskiy, head of the local Soviet group, and about 70 Soviet citizens.

In T'ien-ching the celebration was sponsored by the preparatory committee of the T'ien-ching Branch of the SSFA, more than 2,000 attended the affair. Thirty Soviet citizens, including Kitav, Acting USSR Consul-General in T'ien-ching, also participated.

Speeches were made by: Huang Sung-ling, deputy chairman, preparatory committee, T'ien-ching Branch, SSFA; Huang Ching, chairman, preparatory committee, T'ien-ching Branch, SSFA; Kitav representing the All-Union Society for Cultural Relations With Foreign Countries; Li Chu-ch'ea representing the T'ien-ching industrial class; Prof Chang Kuo-fan, Pei-yang University; Tso Chien representing the preparatory committee, T'ien-ching New Democracy Youth Corps; and Wang Ts-ts'ai representing the peasant group.

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TOTAL SSFA MEMBERSHIP REACHES 2 MILLION -- Wen-hui Pao, 6 Nov 49

Pei-p'ing, 7 November -- The total membership in the Sino-Soviet Friendship Association has reached the 2 million mark according to SSFA Headquarters in Pei-p'ing.

Since the official establishment of the SSFA headquarters in Pei-p'ing, on 5 October 1949, many preparatory committees, branches, and sub-branches of the SSFA have been organized in various localities of liberated China.

The total membership in Ch'ing-tao and Northeast districts is as follows: Ch'ing-tao, 150,000; Northeast District, including Ta-lien, Ha-erh-pin, and North Manchurian areas, 504,600. The Northeast District has been organizing SSFA branches since the end of the war in 1945.

HOLDS EXHIBITS AND MEETINGS -- Wen-hui Pao, 6 Nov 49

Many SSFA branches have been sponsoring exhibits, lectures, and round-table discussion groups, and distributing bulletins to introduce Soviet economic structure and culture to the Chinese people.

In Northeast China, 24 hsien and city SSFA branches have exhibited pictures of Soviet construction methods. Similar exhibits were shown in Pei-p'ing, T'ien-ching, Shang-hai, Wu-han, Chi-nan, Ch'ing-tao, and Ch'ang-chia-k'ou. In Pei-p'ing, alone, 10,500 persons came to see the exhibit.

The Sino-Soviet Friendship Association branches in the Lu-shun -- Ta-lien District have held 5,000 round-table discussions, meetings, and lectures with a total attendance of about 2 million.

SOVIET FILMS WIDELY SHOWN -- Wen-hui Pao, 3 Nov 49

Pei-p'ing, 1 November (MCHA) -- On 1 November 1949, the Central Motion Picture Control Board distributed Soviet films to Pei-p'ing, T'ien-ching, Shang-hai, Nan-ching, and Shen-yang. The pictures are to be shown to the general public prior to the 32d anniversary of the October Revolution of the Soviet Union on 6 November.

Before distributing the films, the propaganda section of the board distributed a pamphlet entitled "The Introduction to Soviet Films." Articles were contributed by Kuo Mo-jo, Lu Ting-i, Mao Tse-tung, T'ien han, Shih Tung-shan, and Ts'ai Ch'iu-sheng.

The following Soviet films were distributed in Pei-p'ing and T'ien-ching: "Life of Lenin," "Lenin in 1918," "Moscow, the Capital of the USSR," "The Heroes of the Revolution," and "Leningrad."

SOVIET TEAM MAKES DOCUMENTARY FILMS -- Ta Kung Pao, 23 Oct 49

Shang-hai, 22 October -- Assisted by Chinese motion-picture personnel, the Soviet Cinema Team, which recently came to China with the Soviet Cultural Delegation, is now making two technicolor, documentary films called "The Revolutionary Struggle of the Chinese People," and "The New Democratic Construction in China."

The joint Sino-Soviet group consists of 52 men divided into two units; the front-line unit and the background unit. The front-line unit, led by Varlamov, is further divided into four sections. Each section accompanied one of the four

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These armies of the USSR, i.e., the First, Second, Third, and Fourth, to the front lines to film on-the-spot action pictures. The background unit is also divided into several sections which are assigned to cities such as Pei-p'ing, Shao-yang, and Shanghai, to film backgrounds.

One such Soviet cinema section, of six specialists, is now in Shanghai making a four or five-reel technicolor film called "A Day in Shanghai."

After completing the two major documentary films, the Soviet Cinema Team will make a one-reel film on Chinese art.

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